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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 3, 2002 in connection with the above-identified patent application (Paper No. 12), please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments.

In the Specification:

Please replace the title with the following new title:

-- PRO293 polypeptide.--

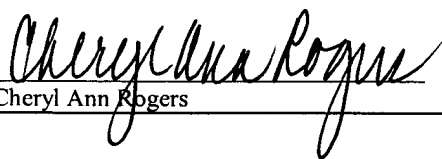
Please replace the paragraph, beginning at page 69, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

a' --Percent amino acid sequence identity may also be determined using the sequence comparison program NCBI-BLAST2 (Altschul et al., Nucleic Acids Res. 25:3389-3402 (1997)). NCBI-BLAST2 uses several search parameters, wherein all of those search parameters are set to

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